FINAL RESULTS IN 164 CASES OF CARCINOMA OF THE BREAST OPERATED UPON DURING THE PAST FOURTEEN YEARS AT THE AUGUSTANA HOSPITAL.*

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In order to condense the study of these cases sufficiently to prevent this report from becoming altogether unwieldy it has seemed best to make the following tabulations, which were compiled by my associate, Dr. N. M. Percy, from the case histories of the hospital.

The present condition of 98 patients was determined partly by correspondence with patients and with their physicians, and partly by personal examinations.

From 63 cases no information has been obtained as yet, but only 20 letters have been returned unopened, consequently it is fair to suppose that further information can be obtained concerning the condition of some of the 63 cases not heard from.

Of the 98 cases concerning which we have received reports, 54 cases are still living, and all of these with two exceptions are at the present time free from recurrence.

One patient, case No. 38, had a carcinoma of both breasts, which were removed by primary operation in 1895 elsewhere. In 1897 she had a recurrence in the left axilla, which I operated on December 7, 1897. This side has remained well since. In 1899 she had a recurrence in the right axilla, which was removed elsewhere, and which has just developed a second recurrence.

A second case, No. 45, operated on September 19, 1898, for carcinoma of the breast, remained well until six months ago, when she noticed a swelling the size of a walnut, which has not been definitely diagnosed, although it is likely that it is a recurrence.

^{*} Read before the American Surgical Association, May, 8, 1907.

I have not personally examined this patient since she left the hospital.

The following table gives the number of living cases from which we have definite reports:

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Of the 54 cases heard from, ten complain of swelling or stiffness of the arm.

An interesting fact observed in our series of cases is shown by the following table of deaths.

It was found that but few of the very advanced cases which were considered quite hopeless at the time of operation lived more than one year after the operation, making the number that died directly after the operation from shock, together with those that lived less than one year, 25, or about 15 per cent.:

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ANALYTICAL TABLE OF CASES OF CARCINOMA OF BREAST OPERATED UPON AT THE AUGUSTANA HOSPITAL.

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Primary operation 18 months previous. Recurrent nodule in scar. Lived 3 years after this; 4½ years after previous operation No recurrence to present time; operation successful, No X-ray Had rapid recurrence and died about 6 months after operation Arm in good health. Has not been bothered again Result. Died of shock same night Died ot shock on 4th day Died of shock next day Recurrent case Date of last communication of patient. -----Excision of breast and None pectoral muscles and axillary glands
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No return of disease. Perfectly well since operation	Perfectly well since operation. Very useful arm	Examined personally. No signs of recurrence. No ædema of arm		No return of disease. Has experienced considerable discomfort with arm. But nothing serious	Two years later recurrence in line of incision, axilla, and cervical region. All disappeared under X-ray treatment	Had recurrence in axillary glands of opposite side in 5 months. Died 6 months later				Died a sew months later, apparently from some internal recurrence	Died May, 1905. Had X-ray treatment for 3 years	Died of recurrence, April 1, 1903. Took X-ray for 1 year		Recurred 1 year after operation. Recurrence disappeared under X-ray. Recurred 2 years later. Died 3 years after operation	Well at that time.
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ANALYTICAL TABLE OF CASES OF CARCINOMA OF BREAST OPERATED UPON AT THE AUGUSTANA HOSPITAL.—Continued

	Result.		Died of recurrence 2 years later. Had many X-ray treatments	Perfectly well. Took X-ray treatment for a year			Primary operation 6 years previous. Not heard from since second operation	Had other breast excised for carcinoma 2 years previous. X-ray for 1 year after first operation	Died of recurrence in May, 1903	illary glands Excised both breasts for Died of cancer of stomach 1 year later	Took 60 X-ray treatments after operation. No recurrence. Great deal of pain in shoulder	18 months after operation had recurrence in ilium, from which she died. Had X-ray for x year following operation	No recurrence. Great deal of ædema of arm. X-ray for 1 year
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	Result.	Died 18 months after operation of carcinoma	X-ray for 3 months after operation. Perfectly well now		Recurrent case. Had portion of breast removed 3 months previous. Again had recurrence. X-ray and serum treatment. Well at present	Perfectly well		Had rapid recurrence and died April 25, 1905	No return of disease. General health very good	Examined personally. No sign of recurrence	Died Oct. 16, 1905, apparently from carcinoma inside of chest	Perfectly well
	Date of last communication of patient.		April 11, 1907	None	Jan., 1907	April 12, 1907	None		April 20, 1907	April 12, 1907		May 4, 1907
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v	8,	×	<u>:</u>	\div	June 11, 1906	Excised breast and pec-	April 22, 1907	No signs of recurrence. Has pain in arm if she uses it too much
m	8	×	\div	÷	June 18, 1906	Excised breast and pec-	April 28, 1907	No return of former disease. X-ray 3 times a week for 5 weeks
¥7)	55	×	-	÷	July 23. 1906	Excised breast and pec- toral muscles and ax-	March 4, 1907	No recurrence. Some contraction of scar in axilla
~	δ.	\div		\div	July 23, 1926	illary glands Excised breast and pectoral muscles and ax-	April 30, 1907	Perfectly well. Has had 24 X-ray treatments
•	\$	×	÷	-:-	August 1, 1906	Excised breast and pec-	April 18, 1907	No signs of recurrence. Arm somewhat stiff
*		×		÷	Sept. 3, 1906	illary glands Excised breast and pectoral muscles and ax-	April 15, 1907	Perfect result X-ray treatment for 4 months
•	3	=	:	- :	Oct. 26, 1906	illary glands Excised breast and pectoral muscles and ax-	April 13, 1907	Took X-ray treatment for 5 weeks. Feels perfectly well
v		×	<u> </u>	×	× Nov. 28, 1906	illary glands Excised breast and pec- toral muscles and ax-		Died Feb. 2, 1907, from extension of carcinoma into chest
LO,		×	Î	×	X Dec. 10, 1906	ulary glands and cau- terized over ribs Excised mass in old scar and cauterized base of wound with		First operation Feb., 1900. Rapid recurrence. Second operation Oct. 19, 1900. In 1901 another recurrence, which disappeared under Naty treatment. Present recurrence began 1 year ago.
*	& <u>;</u>	÷	:	:	May 23, 1889	actual cautery Excised breast		Had recurrence to years later, which was excised May 23, 1899. Had recurrence a year later. Took X-ray treatments until Oct, room, when the became bed-fast and died a short time afterwards.

Cases not heard from, 63.

Of the 44 patients whose deaths have been reported, only 39 died either as a result of the operation or from recurrence.

The following five cases died of other causes than carcinoma without recurrence:

CASE 18.—Age 47, died three years after operation from some acute disease not stated in the letter reporting her death. No signs of recurrence.

CASE 26.—Age 57, died ten years and six months after operation from apoplexy. No signs of recurrence.

Case 32.—Age 59, died five years after operation from nephritis. No signs of recurrence.

CASE 42.—Age 58, died seven years after operation. No signs of recurrence.

CASE 116.—Age 54, died three years after operation from pneumonia. No signs of recurrence.

The following case seems to have especial interest:

CASE 12.—Age 44, was operated upon March 12, 1894. One year later had recurrence in scar. Doctor applied a paste causing necrosis of the wound. This healed completely, and patient has been perfectly well since. Now thirteen years and two months since operation.

It has seemed proper to use X-ray treatment systematically in all cases after operation. This, however, was not always possible in patients living in the smaller country towns.

Cases which had X-ray Treatments.—All cases operated during the past six years had X-ray exposures during the patient's stay in the hospital. Of the cases heard from, 22 took X-ray treatment after leaving the hospital.

The following cases seem to be sufficiently interesting to justify especial abstracts of their histories:

CASE 87.—Age 29. Operated May 17, 1901. Six months later she had a recurrence in the line of the incision, with numerous nodules in the skin, a recurrence in the axillary and cervical glands, and apparently a carcinoma in the cranial cavity causing a marked protrusion of the right eye. All of these disappeared

under X-ray exposures. The patient was last heard from one year ago. She was perfectly well at this time, five years after the operation.

CASE 96.—Age 60. Had recurrence one year after operation. This disappeared under X-ray exposures, but recurred two years later, from which she died.

CASE 125.—Age 50. Operated upon January 24, 1904. Following this had recurrence in scar. Was given vigorous X-ray exposures with very little benefit. Arsenic was applied to wound, causing necrosis of considerable amount of tissue. Wound healed completely. Patient perfectly well now.

CASE 129.—Age 43. Operated upon September 9, 1904. Had primary operation three months previous, when only a portion of the breast was removed. Had second recurrence a few months later. Under X-ray exposures and the treatment by hypodermic injections of a proprietary remedy recurrence disappeared and she is now perfectly well.

CASE 163.—Age 54. Primary operation February, 1900. Rapid recurrence. Second operation October, 1900. A few months later a second recurrence, involving the axilla and the cervical lymph glands and the tissues of the scar, making further operative treatment apparently hopeless. This disappeared under X-ray treatment and remained well for four years. Third recurrence began one year ago. This was excised December 10, 1906. Has had X-ray treatment most of the time during the past five years. Examined May 20, 1907, and found well.

CASE 164.—Age 48. Operated upon May 23, 1889. Had recurrence ten years later, which was excised May 23, 1899. Recurred one year later. Took X-ray treatments continually for three and one-half years, when she died of carcinoma.

A review of this series of cases, although incomplete, seems to show that if the very complete operation which is now generally practised is employed in these cases reasonably early, there is much reason for expecting a fair percentage of permanent cures.